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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
USPTO  
Washington, D.C., 20231

Dear Sir,

This letter is in reference to USPTO 'Application number 10/056,662', with 'Filing Receipt Date 1/23/02' and 'First Named Applicant Daniel J. Benedict'.

There are three parts to this correspondence:

1. Timely response to Formalities Letter.
2. Instructions to delete the entire claim set from the original specification
3. Preliminary amendment to application.

Timely response to Formalities Letter:

This correspondence is in reply to Formalities Letter Confirmation No. 9818, 'Notice to File Corrected Application Papers' (date 2/26/02), requiring that the claims commence on a separate sheet, and also requesting filing fees for the claims.

In response to the Formalities Letter, please note that a one-month extension was filed and accepted extending the filing date for reply to the Formalities Letter to 5/26/02. However, please note that 5/26/02 falls on a Saturday and Holiday weekend and that the US Post Offices are closed on Saturday, 5/26/02, Sunday 5/27/02 and also closed on Monday 5/28/02 (Memorial Day). Therefore, the date as shown in the date in box on the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" label will reflect 5/29/02, the first date that the US Post Office is open after 5/25/02. Yet, the response to the Formalities Letter is timely as of 5/26/02 pursuant to Patent Rules.

Instructions to delete the entire claim set from the original specification:

Please delete claims numbered 1 through 193 from the application located in the original specification.

Preliminary amendment to application:

The preliminary amendment consists of filing a complete 'substitute' specification. The reason for the substitute specification is to clarify grammar and text in the specification, to correct clerical mistakes in the text of the specification, to correct incorrect numbering on drawings # 1 and # 2, to correct text in the abstract, and to reduce the number of

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poorly worded and excessively redundant claims (in the original specification), and to comply with the request to file claims commencing on a separate sheet.

Please substitute the corrected and unmarked complete specification by preliminary amendment. Please replace the original specification with the substitute specification, which includes new claims numbered 1 through 59. As required, the claims commence on a separate sheet.

The following items are enclosed:

1. Copy of Formalities Letter Confirmation No. 9818.
2. Complete unmarked substitute specification.
3. Marked copy of specification showing correction.
4. Marked copies of drawings showing correction.
5. Marked copy of abstract showing correction.
6. New declaration regarding substitute specification by preliminary amendment.
7. Fee transmittal form.
8. Money order # 226327 in the amount of \$351.00 to cover claim fees.

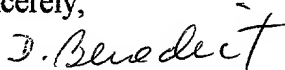
Note: The substitute specification contains 'NO NEW MATERIAL'.

[With reference to the term 'Antibiotic (A) concentration' in the substitute specification, references to antibiotics are located in the original specification (background of the invention) and in the original and deleted claims (# 138 and # 144)].

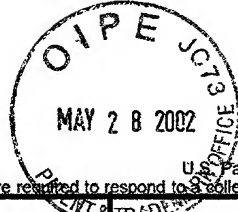
**There is no new material presented in the unmarked and substitute specification.**

Thank you for your consideration and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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351.00

## Complete if Known

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| Application Number   | 10/056,662         |
| Filing Date          | 1-23-02            |
| First Named Inventor | DANIEL J. BENEDICT |
| Examiner Name        |                    |
| Group Art Unit       | 3736               |
| Attorney Docket No.  |                    |

### METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☒ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

☐ Deposit Account:

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| Deposit Account Name   |  |

The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)

- ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☐ Credit any overpayments  
☐ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application  
☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.

### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |                        |          |
| 101          | 740      | 201          | 370      | Utility filing fee     | PAID     |
| 106          | 330      | 206          | 165      | Design filing fee      |          |
| 107          | 510      | 207          | 255      | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108          | 740      | 208          | 370      | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 114          | 160      | 214          | 80       | Provisional filing fee |          |

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#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims       |        | Extra Claims |   | Fee from below |   | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------|--------------|---|----------------|---|----------|
| Independent        | Claims | -20**        | = |                | X |          |
| 59                 |        | 39           |   | 9.00           |   | 351.00   |
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| Multiple Dependent |        |              |   |                |   |          |

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |  |
| 103          | 18       | 203          | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 102          | 84       | 202          | 42       | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 104          | 280      | 204          | 140      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 109          | 84       | 209          | 42       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 110          | 18       | 210          | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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### FEE CALCULATION (continued)

#### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity | Small Entity

| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
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| 105      | 130      | 205      | 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 127      | 50       | 227      | 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 139      | 130      | 139      | 130      | Non-English specification  |          |
| 147      | 2,520    | 147      | 2,520    | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 112      | 920*     | 112      | 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 113      | 1,840*   | 113      | 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 115      | 110      | 215      | 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116      | 400      | 216      | 200      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 117      | 920      | 217      | 460      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 118      | 1,440    | 218      | 720      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 128      | 1,960    | 228      | 980      | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 119      | 320      | 219      | 160      | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120      | 320      | 220      | 160      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 121      | 280      | 221      | 140      | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 138      | 1,510    | 138      | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 140      | 110      | 240      | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141      | 1,280    | 241      | 640      | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 142      | 1,280    | 242      | 640      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 143      | 460      | 243      | 230      | Design issue fee   |          |
| 144      | 620      | 244      | 310      | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 122      | 130      | 122      | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 123      | 50       | 123      | 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 126      | 180      | 126      | 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 581      | 40       | 581      | 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 146      | 740      | 246      | 370      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 149      | 740      | 249      | 370      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 179      | 740      | 279      | 370      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 169      | 900      | 169      | 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify)

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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### SUBMITTED BY

|                   |                    |                                   |  |           |              |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|--------------|
| Name (Print/Type) | DANIEL J. BENEDICT | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) |  | Telephone | 312-949-1602 |
| Signature         | D. Benedict        |                                   |  | Date      | 5-23-02      |

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CONFIRMATION NO. 9818

FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 02/26/2002

NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

*Filing Date Granted*

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).

The required items noted below **SHOULD** be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$2187.
  - \$1557 for 173 total claims over 20.
  - \$630 for 15 independent claims over 3 .

- The balance due by applicant is \$ 2187.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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